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SANTA CLAUS SPIRIT ABROAD IN COLUMBIA

Students Gladden Hearts of
the Children With Gifts
and Feasting.

GOODIES AND TINSEL

University Women Fill 65
Red Stockings for a Christ-
mas Eve Party.

The spirit of good will toward men
is already manifesting itself in Co-
lumbia.

Despite the high prices of dolls and
drums and dominoes, Santa's pack
bids to be larger this year than form-
erly. There will be a scarcely a child
or family in Columbia that will not
have some kind of festivity during the
holiday season.

Already Columbia children are hav-
ing Christmas trees, dinners and
presents. University students are
taking enough time from examina-
tions and trunk-packing to provide
holiday merriment for nearly two
hundred children.

Fraternity Gladdens 25 Boys.

Last night twenty-five small boys
feasted on chicken, cranberry sauce
and ice cream at the Sigma Alpha
Epsilon house. After the feast there
were presents—all kinds of them—
guns, games, and shiny pocket knives.

Tomorrow afternoon thirty little
boys and girls will be brought to the
Kappa Gamma house. Santa Claus
will distribute presents from a tin-
selted Christmas tree, and there will
be candy, nuts and oranges for every
small merry-maker there. Some of the
gifts are being made or bought by
members of the Y.W.C.A. Each girl
will assume responsibility for one
child. She will bring him or her to
the party and will see that he or she
gets home. She is also responsible
for seeing her charge receives his al-
lotted number of presents and pep-
permints. The girl who takes a child
does not have to provide a present for
him because there will be more pres-
ents there than girls who gave them.
Any girl who would like to take a
child may get the name of one from
Miss Vitula Van Dyne.

Sixty-Five Red Stockings.

On Christmas Eve a group of sixty-
five children on West Broadway
will have a Christmas tree rimmed
with sixty-five red stockings holding
an orange in the toe of each and can-
dy and nuts clear up to the top. The
stockings have been made and filled
up by University women. The girls at
Read Hall made fifty-five and the
members of the Chi Omega sorority
took charge of the rest. Each child
in this group will also receive pres-
ents, many of which were made or
bought by University women. The
others were contributed by townspeople.

Eighty-two families are already on
the list of those who will receive
basket dinners this year. By the
night before Christmas there will
probably be many more. Mrs. W. T.
Stephenson, who is in charge of the
collection and distribution of these
dinners, says that one chicken is pro-
vided for every three people in the
family. Families who are to receive
the dinners are assigned to house-
wives who are willing and able to
prepare the food. If possible, the same
person who prepares the dinner also
delivers it. Mrs. Stephenson delivers
them where this is impossible.

ENTERTAINED IN CENTRALIA

Columbia Men Guests of Business Men
of That City.

Fifteen Columbia business and pro-
fessional men were entertained at
dinner by the business men of Cen-
tralia at a dinner in the Christian
Church in that city last night. The
dinner was arranged by J. T. Mitchell.
Several talks were made by repre-
sentatives of both cities, each urging
a closer relationship between the
business interests of the towns. It
was urged that the Columbia and Cen-
tralia commercial clubs should hold
a joint session in the near future.

JENKINS SAYS MEXICANS DELAY

U. S. Agent Charges Puebla Court Is
Marking Time.

By RALPH H. TURNER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12.—William O.
Jenkins, American consular agent,
charged in a message to the United
Press from Puebla today that the state
court is killing time on his request
for cancellation of the \$500 bond upon
which he was recently released from
jail.

MAYNARD TO EXPLAIN CHARGES

Said That Accidents in Air Race Were
Caused by Liquor.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Lieut. B.
W. Maynard, "the flying parson," ap-
peared today before General Meno-
her, director of air services, to ex-
plain his recent charges that acci-
dents in the trans-continental air
race were due to the use of liquor by
the aviators.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Rain turn-
ing to sleep or snow tonight and Satur-
day. Much colder by morning, cold wave;
temperature zero or lower by Sunday
morning.

For Missouri: Rain turning to snow to-
night. Saturday partly cloudy, snow east
portion. Much colder with cold wave west
and extreme north portions tonight and
balance of state Saturday. Temperature
zero to 5 below north portion, and zero
to 10 above east portion by Sunday
morning.

Supplies' Forecast: Within a radius of
200 miles of Columbia the lowest tem-
perature during the next 36 hours will be
zero or lower north; 20 east and south
and 5 west.

Weather Conditions.

A low pressure system extends from
the Southern Rocky Mountain plateau
eastward to the Mississippi River; and a
high pressure covers the northwest. This
combination is giving snow and colder
weather to the northward and mild and
cloudy conditions in southern sections.
The low pressure will cross the Missis-
sippi during the next 24 hours and will
be followed by a cold wave which will
overspread the Plains and lower Missouri
Valley. Temperatures this morning range
from 6 below zero in Nebraska to 20 or
more below northward.

The highways of Missouri have thawed
on top and are slippery in spots, other-
wise the traveling is fair. A cold wave
will overspread the State during the next
36 hours with some rain, sleet, and snow.
Cold weather will likely last for several
days.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia
yesterday was 49; and the lowest last
night was 37. Precipitation 0.00. A year
ago yesterday the highest temperature
was 52 and the lowest was 39. Precipita-
tion 0.00. Sun rose today 7:19 a. m. Sun
set 4:37 p. m. Moon rises 11:32 p. m.

NO CALLS FOR COAL

Commercial Club Hadn't
Had Single Request Up
to 3:30 This Afternoon.

The Commercial Club offices today
had received no calls for coal up to
3:30 o'clock this afternoon. This is
the first day since the club entered the
coal business that such a condition
has prevailed and it is thought
it is due to the fact that most of the
householders in Columbia have
enough on hand to last a few days.

With the drop in temperature this
afternoon, the surplus will soon be
consumed, but Russell Monroe, sec-
retary of the Commercial Club, believes
that the situation will be handled
without difficulty.

Five loads of coal were brought in
from the Ballenger strip today and
two cars of West Virginia anthracite
were received by the Dalton Coal
Company yesterday evening. These
were sold at 42 cents a bushel.

The first of the five cars of coke to
be shipped from St. Louis is expected
tomorrow. The price at which it will
be sold has not been determined. Ac-
cording to a bulletin sent out by the
Department of the Interior at Wash-
ington, D. C., tests made in the Uni-
versity of Illinois show that seven
and three-fourths tons of coke are
equal in heating power to ten tons of
Illinois soft coal.

PAGEANT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gifts to Presbyterian "White Christ-
mas" Program Will Go to Charity.

The Presbyterian Sunday School is
preparing to give a program called
"The White Christmas" on Sunday
evening, December 21. The pupils
will take part in a pageant, which is
in the nature of a short sermon. The
pageant aims to show that no life is
worth while unless Christ enters in.
The pageant includes such characters
as Wisdom, Pleasure, Wealth, Pride
and Vanity.

"The White Christmas when given
in full is of a three-fold nature," said
the Rev. H. S. Braden in explaining
it to the pupils of the school. "It is
three-fold in that you are asked to
give of self, service and substance."

"It is called white because at
Christmas time you must rid your
heart of any taint, talent or tincture of
selfishness. In giving for Jesus'
birthday you are asked to give a gift
in value equal to at least the value
of a gift to a member of your own
family."

The money gifts will be sent to
the School of the Ozarks. The gifts
of food will be turned over to the
Charity Organization Society.

REPORTING IN THE FUTURE

Vandalla Leader Confronted by Prob-
lems of Airplane Reporter.

The Vandalla Leader puts this one
up to the School of Journalism:

An airplane passed over Vandalla
Monday morning about 10 o'clock fly-
ing west at a high altitude. We didn't
learn the pilot's name, neither his
destination. And we are rather curi-
ous about the contingency that will
inevitably confront the news gatherer
for the country paper. Will we have
to have a wireless station, or will we
have to keep a flying machine and go
winging for news, or what will we do?

However, it is not certain that there
will be many more papers getting
wireless news than now, adds
Lee Shipley in the Missouri Notes in
the Kansas City Times.

Police Court Was His Alibi

When the roll was called for a cer-
tain examination in the University this
morning one student was absent. In-
stead of writing an examination paper,
this student was pleading guilty in
police court to a charge of disturbing
the peace. He was fined \$5 and costs
by Judge M. L. Edwards.

COLUMBIA GIVES \$907 IN CHARITY CAMPAIGN

That Amount Collected by
11 Teams, With Only Three
Reports Complete.

SEVERAL \$25 GIFTS

One Donation of \$50 Re-
ceived—Only Business
District Canvassed.

If the residence district responds as
liberally as the business district has,
the Columbia Charity Organization
Society will make its full quota of
\$2,500. With complete reports from
only three of the eleven teams, \$907
has been turned in from the business
district.

In setting the quota for the annual
campaign at \$2,500 the Commercial
Club took into consideration the fact
that the Charity Organization will also
receive \$1,000 this year from the Con-
ley Poor Fund. It was considered
that the amount which the citizens
should contribute to the support of
the organization should be not less
than \$2,500.

The people have been wonderfully
responsive in the drive, according to
H. M. McPheeters, chairman of the
organization. There have been very
few refusals to contribute and in
these cases it was where the work of
the organization was not understood.
One \$50 contribution has been made.
There have been several subscriptions
of \$25. Unless large subscriptions
are obtained in the residence district
it may be necessary for those who
have already contributed to raise
their subscriptions.

Although solicitation is not to begin
in the residence district until Sun-
day, some of the teams began work
yesterday because of an understand-
ing that solicitation began everywhere
on Thursday.

The first three teams have complet-
ed their work. The others still have
some calls to make. The report of the
teams follows:

N. D. Evans, T. K. Catron—\$98.
Charles Geery, Edgar Hornbeck—
\$109.25.
W. B. Nowell, P. F. Miller—\$175.
J. N. Belcher—\$67.50.
Pruitt Anderson, D. V. Vandiver—
\$62.50.
J. E. Boggs, C. M. Sneed—\$16.50.
Guy McQuitty, John McHarg—
\$31.25.
Edwin Levy, Kirk Hays—\$99.50.
Dr. Virgil Blakemore—\$73.
E. A. Logan—\$22.50.
Tom McHarg, Horace Smith—\$120.
Miscellaneous—\$35.

DEMOCRATIC VOTERS TO MEET

Women and Men Will Attend Political
Gathering Together.

The first political meeting to be
held in Columbia for both men and
women will take place at 7:30 o'clock
Monday night at the Y.M.C.A. Audi-
torium. Mrs. James W. McKnight,
wife of Senator McKnight of the state
legislature, will be the speaker of the
evening.

Mrs. McKnight is state chairman of
Democratic women of Missouri. Her
husband was the man who introduced
the suffrage bill in the state legisla-
ture and was instrumental in having
it passed by that body. Mrs. McKnight
was in Jefferson City during the whole
debate and helped her husband to put
the bill through.

Every Democratic man and woman
in Columbia is invited to attend the
meeting Monday night. A short pro-
gram will be given in addition to
Mrs. McKnight's speech. After the
program an informal reception will be
held, as Mrs. McKnight has expressed
the desire to meet all the Democratic
women voters of Columbia.

GALES WRECK SHIPS ON COAST

Winds Have Been Blowing Off Nova
Scotia Shore for Last 24 Hours.

By United Press.

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, Dec. 12.—
Two American Shipping Board steam-
ers went ashore yesterday in the
strong gales which have been blow-
ing on the Nova Scotia coast for the
last twenty-four hours. The steamer
Dalewood was forced ashore with
broken engines. Six of the crew
were brought ashore and the remain-
der were expected to be taken off to-
day.

The Elmsdale was driven into the
beach just outside of Canso. The crew
was taken off.

The British steamer, Hornsea, was
reported in distress near Sable Island.

WILL OFFER DRAMATIC COURSE

Laboratory Work in Play Production
to Be Given Next Term.

A course in dramatic interpretation
will be offered by the English depart-
ment of the University next term. This
course, which is to be under the di-
rection of Prof. F. M. Tisdell and Thad-
deus Brenton, will include one labo-
ratory period for the study of play
production. The course will be given
at 2 o'clock Monday, Wednesday and
Friday.

EMERGENCY MEETING OF LABOR IS CALLED

Leaders of International Un-
ion to Talk Anti-Strike
Measures.

IS THIRD ONE HELD

Unlikely That Plans for For-
mation of Labor Party
Will Be Made.

By RALPH COUCH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Labor
leaders began to arrive here early to-
day to attend the labor conference
called by President Samuel F. Gom-
pers.

More than 200 presidents and sec-
retaries of international unions will
be in their seats when the conference
meets at 10 o'clock tomorrow morn-
ing. Practically every big union in
the country will be represented, it is
intended. Several foreign organiza-
tions have been invited to send rep-
resentatives. Heads of the four big
railroad brotherhoods will attend.

"Anti-strike measures in bills now
before Congress will be discussed, and
plans made to fight them. Proposals
for the organization of a labor party
will also be taken up."

"Members are writing many letters
suggesting the formation of a labor
political party," said W. G. Lee, presi-
dent of the railway trainmen.

"It is very unlikely that the meet-
ing will make any plans for the for-
mation of a labor party," said Mat-
thew Woll, vice-president of the
American Federation of Labor.

Labor leaders believe the situation
is more composed than it has been
for six months, but it is probable that
the calm is merely preceding a storm.
Capital, leaders believe, is still
planning a general attack to disrupt
organized labor.

This conference is an emergency
meeting, and is the third of the kind
organized labor has held. The first
was held in 1904 and the second in
1917.

MINERS WORK TODAY

Union Men of Missouri, Ar-
kansas, and Oklahoma Re-
port as Whistle Blows.

By United Press.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—Prac-
tically all union mines of Missouri,
Arkansas, and Oklahoma found work-
ers at the mines today.

The whistles blew this morning as
usual, and union miners responded,
according to a report by F. W. Lu-
kins, president of the South West
Interstate Coal Operators' Association,
following a meeting of operators here.

In Kansas, volunteers continued to
bring out coal from strip mines.
Operators have no power over the
mines until state receivership is done
away with.

ALLIES INFORM U. S. ENVOY

Action Taken at British-Italian Con-
ferences Explained.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—American Am-
bassador Davis was summoned to
Downing street today to confer with
Lloyd George and Clemenceau. Davis
canceled several important engage-
ments to attend the conference.

The summons, it is understood, was
primarily for the purpose of inform-
ing the United States regarding the
decisions reached at the present series
of conferences involving Great
Britain and Italy, thereby avoiding
any offense to the American govern-
ment.

The conferees, it was pointed out,
realize that America is entitled to the
fullest consideration.

CROPS WORTH 14 BILLIONS

Wheat Yield of 93,987,000 Bushels
Valued at Two Billions.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The to-
tal value of important farm crops in
the United States for 1919 is \$14,092,-
740,000, the crop reporting bureau of
the Department of Agriculture an-
nounced today.

The wheat crop is valued at \$2,-
028,522,000, with an acreage of 73,-
243,000, and a total production of 93,-
987,000 bushels the price for wheat
December 1 was \$2.158 per bushel.

The total production of wheat in
1918 was 921,438,000 bushels.

\$20 FOR BOY'S INJURIES

John Griffin Sues for \$250 Damages
After Collision.

Twenty dollars damages were
awarded the plaintiff in the case of
John Griffin, represented by his fa-
ther, J. W. Griffin, against Richard
Silverstein by L. T. Searcy, justice of
the peace, this afternoon. The case
was tried in the Probate Court room.
John Griffin, 12 years old, was in-
jured September 9, when the bicycle he
was riding collided with Mr. Silver-
stein's automobile. Suit was brought
for \$250.

CONTRACT TO BE LET SOON

Plans for Stephens College Dormitory
Being Completed.

The contract for the first of the new
Stephens College dormitories will be
let within the next two weeks, ac-
cording to James M. Wood, president
of the college. The architect is com-
pleting the plans and specifications
now.

"We will have the entire \$500,000
which has been set as our goal when
we finish, but on account of the North-
ern Baptist Conference not making
their campaign until next April the
finish will be delayed," he said. "From
the present campaign we will net
\$250,000."

"Some of the largest churches in
Missouri are in the northern confer-
ence. We expect no difficulty in se-
curing the second \$250,000 for Step-
hens College from them when their
campaign starts next spring."

TOTAL NOW IS \$54,270

Christian College Fund
Grows With Late Reports
and Quiet Canvass.

The Christian College campaign
fund in Boone County reached \$54,270
today. Active canvassing of the busi-
ness district of Columbia for the
campaign closed last Monday but de-
layed reports are coming in and other
communities of Boone County are still
raising contributions to the fund. Robert
H. Gray, chairman of the cam-
paign, said, "this total indicates that
the quiet campaign which is being
conducted by a special committee to
bring in all late subscriptions and
reach the \$75,000 goal is getting re-
sults."

President L. W. St. Clair-Moss of
Christian College will attend a meet-
ing of the executives of the educa-
tional institutions of the Christian
Church in Missouri at Moberly tomor-
row. J. B. Weldon of Columbia, who
is superintendent of the campaign in
the sixth district, will preside at this
meeting. A "finish up" canvass of
the sixth district will be planned.

Mexico, Mo., opened its drive for the
colleges last Sunday and already has
reported \$10,000. Centralia has re-
ported \$1,110 in addition to previous
returns.

The following subscriptions were
reported today:

Previously reported	\$52,150.00
Imogene Brown	50.00
Stewart Bros.	125.00
H. C. Malo	150.00
Henry Kreutz	25.00
Miss Emma Cauthorn	25.00
Mary C. McKee	15.00
Frank Thomson	25.00
Standard Oil Company	25.00
A Friend	10.00
Mary Church	10.00
Florence Maybury	50.00
Martha Jaeger	25.00
Lakeland Price	25.00
Olga Miller	10.00
Ruebub White (additional)	15.00
Elizabeth Howard	25.00
Gladys Craig	25.00
Nadine Wiseman	25.00
Phyllis Vance	50.00
Rose Rosenthal	100.00
Caddie Yarbrough	100.00
Marsena Johnson	100.00
Centralia (additional)	1,110.00
Total	\$54,270.00
Columbia's pledges	\$42,579.00
County's pledges	\$11,691.00

CALLS IT A MISUNDERSTANDING

Bonillas Says New Mexican Crisis Is
Result of Agitation.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Ignacio
Bonillas, Mexican ambassador, de-
clared today in an interview that at-
tempts were being made to create an
international crisis over the Tampico
oil situation.

He asserted that the oil field crisis
arose from Carranza soldiers stop-
ping Americans from drilling new
wells, and is based on a misunder-
standing of the true situation.

"The Jenkins episode is closed so
far as a crisis between the United
States and Mexico is concerned," as-
serted Bonillas.

FEDERALS MOVE AGAINST VILLA

Nine Trainloads of Carranzistas Tak-
en Toward Scene of Raid.

By United Press.

EAGLE PASS, Tex., Dec. 12.—Vil-
la's troops are still holding Musquiz
today after their raid of Tuesday, ac-
cording to reports received here.

Mexican official dispatches said that
General Murguia had arrived at Baro-
teral with nine train loads of Carran-
za troops. Fighting was reported at
three different places but this report
was denied by Carranza sources.

Special Music for Sunday School.

A special musical program will be
given next Sunday at the Baptist
Church Sunday school. Miss Frances
D. Woodbridge, head of the voice de-
partment of Stephens College, will
sing a solo. Miss Grace Brown, in-
structor in piano at Stephens College,
will talk on the development of mu-
sic in connection with religious serv-
ices. Miss Jane Enloe will play two
selections on the violin and there will
be a special number by a quartet com-
posed of Miss Julia Sampson, Miss
Pauline Knewer, A. F. Neate and
Joseph Shy.

GARFIELD OVERRULED, RESIGNS FROM OFFICE

Wilson Will Accept Fuel Ad-
ministrator's Resignation
—Hines to Job.

STRIKE THE CAUSE

He Opposed Basis of Presi-
dent's Proposals for
Settlement.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—President
Wilson will accept the resignation of
Harry A. Garfield, fuel adminis-
trator, immediately, it was announced
at the White House today.

Garfield's letter asking that he be
relieved of his office today was for-
warded to the President by Secretary
Tumulty this morning.

Garfield's resignation comes after the
settlement of the coal strike on a
basis of President Wilson's proposals,
which was that the miners should re-
ceive a 14 per cent increase, and a
commission be appointed to study the
mining situation and make further
changes in wages and hours.

When this proposal was made to
the miners, Garfield declared it was
unsatisfactory to him. He wanted the
strike settled on a 14 per cent increase
of wages only.

Garfield was fuel administrator during
the war, and was responsible for
the order to close stores and factories
to conserve fuel. He was called to
take charge of the reconstructed ad-
ministration when the present coal
shortage developed a few weeks ago.

Walker D. Hines, railroad adminis-
trator, will take charge of the work.

The White House today was ex-
pected to make public the names of
the three men on the President's
commission appointed to study the
mining situation in accordance with
the agreement with the mine union
leaders.

Advices received here today were
that coal production was rapidly in-
creasing, and the normal output
would be reached within a week.

160 "SPECIALS" A DAY RECEIVED

4,800 Such Letters Passed Through
Columbia Postoffice Last Month.

Forty-eight hundred special deliv-
ery letters, or an average of 160 a day,
passed through the Columbia post-
office during November. This num-
ber may be surpassed this month, as
1,500 specials have already been re-
ceived in December.

Parcel post business also has grown
considerably this month, but the regu-
lar Christmas rush has not started.
Between five and six hundred pack-
ages are delivered in Columbia a day.
This is not half of the parcel post
business. Only two-thirds as many
packages are received, as are mailed
out of the city each month.